Sl. No.	States/Union Territories	No. of projects	Employment (in persons)
33.	Chhattisgarh	502	7881
34.	Jharkhand	671	10535
35.	Uttaranchal	631	9907
	TOTAL	**25253**	**396457**

Rural industries in Uttaranchal

†3016. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of persons engaged in rural industries based on agriculture in Uttaranchal;

(b) the details of steps being taken to promote the agriculture based industries in the State;

(c) whether the State Government have requested for any financial package to improve the conditions of the rural industries of the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI SANGH PRIYA GAUTAM): (a) The estimated number of persons engaged in agro and rural industries set up under the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) in the State of Uttranchal since its inception is 38,800.

(b) To promote the village industries including agro based industries in the country including Uttaranchal, the Government through Khadi and Village Industries Commission is already implementing the Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP) in the country including Uttaranchal. Under this scheme, margin money is provided at the rate of 25% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lakhs and for the project above Rs. 10 lakhs, rate of margin money is 25% of Rs. 10 lakhs plus 10% on remaining project cost. For SC/ST and other weaker sections, margin money at the rate of 30% of Rs. 10 lakhs plus 10% on remaining cost of the project is provided. Under this scheme, the beneficiary's contribution is 10% of the project cost, but in the case of SC/ST and other weaker sections the beneficiary's contribution is 5% of the project cost. This scheme is being implemented through Public Sector Banks, Regional Rural Banks etc. In order to further

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

stregthen this sector in the country, the Government on 14.05.2001, announced the 'Khadi Package' which *inter-alia* consists of creation of packaging and design facilities, measures to promote marketing, brand building, cluster development, provision of additional working capital etc.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Violation of Human Rights

3017. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMAD KHAN (DURRU): Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether cases of violation of human rights by the authorities of Department of Atomic Energy have come to the notice of Government;

(b) if so, the details in this regard stating the number of cases reported during the last three years; and

(c) the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir. There are no cases of human rights violation in the Department of Atomic Energy.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Low power Atomic Reactor in Andhra University Campus

3018. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the present position of setting up of proposed low power Atomic Reactor in the Andhra University Campus in Visakhapatnam;

(b) by when, the research at the Centre would start and be able to supply radio-isotopes to hospitals in the region for diagnosis and treatment of cancer; and

(c) the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) It has not been found feasible to pursue the proposal in its present form.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.